Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Opal Dixon, and we are richer because Opal lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Opal was born November 29, 1911, and grew up in rural Arlington, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Opal taught country school and second grade at Valley Springs, South Dakota, and also attended Augustana College. Opal is the mother of three daughters; and,

Whereas, Opal will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 29, 2011, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State